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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Cable Communications by the Medical Staff

I. PROBLEM:

To modify the cable procedures for direct communications between the Chief, Medical Staff, and medical officers in the field, whereby the Director of Central Intelligence will be furnished a copy of such cables.

II. FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM:

25X1A A. [REDACTED] has been established for medical communications of a sensitive or technical nature between the Chief, Medical Staff, and medical officers at overseas stations.

25X1A B. [REDACTED] messages may not be used for the transmission of orders or instructions which impinge on responsibilities and authorities of the chain of command.

C. The Chief, Medical Staff, is responsible for promptly bringing cases requiring command action to the attention of appropriate authorities.

25X1A D. [REDACTED] cables are distributed only to the indicated addressees.

25X1A E. The Chief, Medical Staff, is authorized to release outgoing [REDACTED] cables, and medical officers at overseas stations are authorized to release incoming [REDACTED] cables. 25X1A

F. The Chief, Medical Staff, is required to personally advise the Director of all medical cases which, in his opinion, should be brought to the attention of the Director.

III. DISCUSSION:

The need for a special communications channel between the Chief, Medical Staff, and medical officers in the field has been recognized, and a channel for sensitive and technical cables has been established. It is now proposed that the Director will be provided with copies of these communications transmitted by means of this channel.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is, therefore, recommended that:

The [REDACTED] cable procedure continue as originally established, with the modification that copies of all such cables be furnished the Director of Central Intelligence.

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